GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE SYSTEM

Mayor's Order 2007-59 February 27, 2007

SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority - Grant Making Authority to Department of

Employment Services

ORIGINATING AGENCY: Office of the Mayor

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the District of Columbia by section 422(2) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act of 1973, as amended, 87 Stat. 790, Pub. L. No. 93-198, D.C. Official Code § 1-204.22(2) (2001), and pursuant to Section 2403 of the Service Improvement and Fiscal Year 2000 Budget Support Act of 1999, effective October 20, 1999 (D.C. Law 13-38; D.C. Official Code § 2-1553 (a) (2006 Supp.)) ("the Act"), it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

- 1. The Director of the Department of Employment Services ("Director") is delegated the authority vested in the Mayor, to make grants to the D.C. Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation (the "Youth Investment Trust") from grant funds available to the Director's agency, upon the Director's determination that the Youth Investment Trust constitutes a single, non-service provider, non-profit organization that meets the qualifications prescribed in the Act.
- 2. The authority delegated herein to the Director may be further delegated to subordinates under the jurisdiction of the Director.
- 3. This Order supersedes any prior Mayor's Order to the extent of any inconsistency therein.

4. **EFFECTIVE DATE**: This Order shall become effective immediately.

DRIAN M. FENTY

ATTEST:

STEPHANIE SCOTT

SECRETARY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Office of the Attorney General



Legal Counsel Division

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Eugene E. Irvin

General Counsel

Department of Employment Services

FROM:

Wayne C. Witkowski

Deputy Attorney General

Legal Counsel Division

DATE:

February 12, 2007

SUBJECT:

Legal Sufficiency Review of Draft Mayor's Order Delegating Grant Making

Authority to the Department of Employment Services

(AM-07-075)(MID #194166)

This memorandum is in response to an e-mail request of January 30, 2007, that this Office provide a legal sufficiency review of a draft Mayor's Order to delegate to the Department of Employment Services (DOES) the Mayor's grant making authority pursuant to section 2403 of the Fiscal Year 2000 Budget Support Act of 1999, effective October 20, 1999 (D.C. Law 13-38, D.C. Official Code § 2-1553(a)(2006 Supp.). As you discussed with Carol Paskin Epstein, Assistant Attorney General, your draft Mayor's Order is deliberately broader than was suggested by your cover memorandum. The Mayor's Order is not limited solely to addressing truancy reduction at Anacostia and Ballou High Schools. Additionally, DOES has funds allocated for the purpose of making grants to the D.C. Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation pursuant to the Mayor's Order. As discussed, there is a Mayor's Order, Mayor's Order 2006-55 effective June 30, 2006, that delegates authority to the Directors of the Child and Family Services Agency and the Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services to make grants to the D.C. Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation from grant funds available to them. Additionally, we prepared a draft Mayor's Order for the Department of Human Services that would delegate authority to the Director of DHS to make grants to the D.C. Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation from grant funds available to DHS that has not yet been signed by the Mayor. As discussed, the draft order would not rescind other Mayor's Orders involving other agencies

grant-making authority. Pursuant to our discussions, the Mayor's Order was modified to correct citations and to add language regarding the grant funds. We have reviewed the Mayor's Order and find it to be legally sufficient.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 724-5524 or Carol Paskin Epstein, Assistant Attorney General, Legal Counsel Division, at 724-5536.

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